

Applications accepted for Miss Rain Day

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WAYNESBURG - Rain Day Scholarship Inc. is accepting applications for the 2012 Miss Rain Day Scholarship Pageant.

The pageant, celebrating 34 years, will be held July 22 in the Waynesburg Central High School auditorium. The pageant is open to girls ages 14 to 18 as of Rain Day, July 29, who also must reside in Greene County.

A banquet is planned for May 15 at the Glass Room in Benedum Hall at Waynesburg University. The contestants will take part in many activities, including a dinner and theater trip to Pittsburgh, a Wild Things baseball game, community service project, rehearsals, photo shoots and the Rain Day Festival.

Each contestant will compete in a personal interview, sportswear, talent and evening gown competition. Scholarship savings bonds will be awarded in the following categories: Miss Photogenic, Miss Personality, Rain Maker Award, Kelly Smotzer Memorial Award, Remo Bertugli Memorial Award, John O'Hara Award, top talent, evening gown winner, sportswear winner and personal interview winner.

Miss Rain Day 2012 and her court will serve as the guests of honor during this year's Rain Day celebration. All contestants will be presented with a savings bond, along with gifts from the Rain Day committee.

This year, in the spirit of its mission, Rain Day Scholarship Inc. has added the Scholastic Achievement Award. This optional award recognizes a candidate for her outstanding academic achievements based on her current grade-point average.

The entry fee to compete is \$60 payable before the May 3 deadline. To enter the pageant between May 4 and May 7, the entry fee is \$70 with a final May 7 deadline.

To obtain an application and for more information, call Rain Day Scholarship Inc. at 724-592-6032 or 724-747-4506, or visit www.missraindaypageant.org.

Applications also are available at local high schools and dance studios and from local piano and vocal teachers. Copyright Observer Publishing Co.